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MEMORANDUM

TO: Executive Directors
Area Agencies on Aging

FROM: Ellen Nau

DATE: November 25, 2008

SUBJECT: Caregiving

National Resource Directory

The National Resource Directory (www.nationalresourcedirectory.org) is a web site for wounded, ill and injured service members, veterans, their families and families of the fallen, and those who support them. The Directory provides over ten thousand services and resources available through governmental and non-governmental organizations to support recovery, rehabilitation and reintegration into the community.

To view the National Resource Directory, visit www.nationalresourcedirectory.org.

The President's Commission on Care for America's Returning Wounded Warriors and Title XVI, "Wounded Warrior Matters," of the 2008 National Defense Authorization Act promoted the proposition that veterans and their families needed easy access to the multitude of services available to aid them.

New York Times

An article in the November 12, 2008 issue of the New York Times, *Veterans' Families Seek Aid for Caregiver Role*, discusses the role of veteran caregivers. Spouses often

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have to resign from their jobs to care for their loved ones. To access the article, go to:
http://www.nytimes.com/2008/11/12/us/12veterans.html?_r=1&scp=4&sq=kaufman&st=nyt

2008 Evercare Study of Hispanic Family Caregiving in the U.S.

Evercare and the National Alliance for Caregiving (NAC) recently conducted the first study the 8 million Hispanic caregivers of aging loved ones. The report can be accessed at: <http://evercarehealthplans.com/studies.jsp>

Intergenerational Caregiving

The Urban Institute has published a book on intergenerational caregiving that examines changing family relationships in the U.S. and the effect this change has on family caregivers. *Intergenerational Caregiving*, edited by Alan Booth, Ann C. Crouter, Suzanne M. Bianchi, and Judith A. Seltzer, will be published in November by the Urban Institute Press (ISBN 978-0-87766-747-6, paper, 420 pages, \$29.50).

The Journal of Aging and Health – December 2008

An article, "The Influences of Gender and Religiousness on Alzheimer's Disease Caregivers' Use of Informal Support and Formal Services" by Dr. Fei Sun and colleagues, examines how religious beliefs affect the care offered by male and female caregivers to their loved ones. For further information on the article, consult:
<http://jah.sagepub.com/>

The New York Times

Nationally syndicated columnist Jane Brody began a two part series on caregiving in the November 10, 2008 issue of the New York Times. Entitled *When Families Take Care of Their Own*, the article focuses on family caregivers' stresses, joys and challenges as they care for their loved ones. The article is located at:
http://www.nytimes.com/2008/11/11/health/11brod.html?pagewanted=2&_r=1



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TO: Executive Directors
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FROM: Bill Peterson

DATE: 11/25/08

SUBJECT: Virginia Elder Rights Coalition Meeting

The Virginia Elder Rights Coalition will host their December meeting titled *Effective Advocacy Around End-of-Life Decision Making* on Friday, 12/12/08 in Charlottesville at the Park View Apartments at 210 South Pantops Drive. For more information contact Joani Latimer at jlatimer@thev4a.org or at 804-644-2923.

A "save the date" flyer is attached.

Attachment

Virginia Elder Rights Coalition Meeting

Effective Advocacy Around End-of-Life Decision Making

When: Friday, December 12, 2008
from 10:30 a.m. to noon

Where: Park View Apartments
210 South Pantops Drive
Charlottesville

Featured Speaker: Theresa Drought, PhD, RN
Assistant Professor of Nursing
Dept. of Acute and Specialty Care
University of Virginia



**Come and meet colleagues interested in elder rights
in Virginia and hear about recent developments!**

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